implementation of the Policy and similar councils to be set up at State level to be headed by the concerned Chief Ministers.

(d) The goal of the Policy is to bring about advancement, development and empowerment of women through a process of change in societal attitudes towards women, elimination of all forms of discrimination against women in all spheres of life and activities. It will empower women both socially and economically. The Policy will guide and inform action at levels and integrate women's concerns and perspectives into all macro level initiatives.

(e) The Policy envisages that all Central and State Ministries/ Departments would be required to draw up Action Plan with measurable goals to be achieved in a time frame of the next 10 years.

Conversion of Roorkee University as IIT

4628. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to convert Roorkee University into an IIT;

(b) if so, whether the conversion process has started;

(c) whether the Regional College of Engineering is also proposed to be converted into IIT; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) No Regional Engineering College (REC) is proposed to be converted to an IIT.